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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Mr. Gregory L. Maurer.

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Date of Interview: 24 March 2005.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: N/A.

Claim(s) discussed: 2 and 17.

Identification of prior art discussed: Muira et al. (USPN: 5,886,684).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Based on Fig. 4 of the present application, Applicant points out that Miura lacks of cause and effect step of "positioning is performed in responsive to receiving the user indication of the location for transforming this point into three-dimensional location". Examiner agree with Applicant that Muira is lacking of the teaching of "receiving indication of point wihin image for transform this point on image into three-dimensional location".The next action will be written upon receiving formally incoming paper and search updated.